

flourished in the first grand impulse of love and brotherhood which inspired the apostolic church, in the days of the outpouring, is prophetically significant. Undoubtedly it will reappear in the completed regeneration, when equal enjoyment of all the Father's blessings shall be based upon equal worth, and sanctified by the universal prevalence of brotherly love.

But perhaps we have wandered far away from the purpose of this article. Wealth is stored labor, but labor is life. It is the outgoing of that life which God gave, and which he has at such cost to himself redeemed. If this redeemed or purchased life is not our own, and the apostle tells us that it is not our own, on what principle can we own the product of that life, or the product of another man's life, in the sense that we are free to use it for our own pleasure or in the furtherance of any selfish purpose? Shall we rob God? The call is for the consecration of wealth, and the use of it for God's glory and the building up of his kingdom. The Lord give us grace, wisdom and courage to be faithful stewards of that which is all His own.

Advice to School Girls

The principal of one of the large city schools, a man of superb physique, as well as fine intellectual endowments, gives this sensible advice to the young girls under his care:-

"Study hard while you study. Put your whole mind into your work, and don't dally.

"Begin your studying early in the evening, but stop before nine o'clock.

"Take a little recreation before retiring to change the current of thought and to rest your head.

"Be in bed before ten o'clock. The sleep thus obtained before midnight is the rest which most recuperates the system, giving brightness to the eye and a glow to the cheek.

"Take care of your health. That is first. If you need to do more studying, rise at six in the morning."

What Cordelia Said

"I should like to go down to the corner and see the organ man," said Metta, standing at the gate with Cordelia in her arms. "That music is certainly most beautiful, and I would like to hear it plainer."

She took a step outside the gate. "Cordelia," she said, "wouldn't you like to hear that music?"

But Cordelia looked up with stern eyes, as if she said, "Your mother told you not to go outside the gate."

"Dear me, Cordelia," said Metta, "you have got such a troublesome conscience. Now, mother never knew that there would be an organ man at the corner when she said that."

But Cordelia looked up with unyielding eyes, and something in Metta's own little heart said, "Your mother told you not to go outside the gate." "I believe my conscience is troublesome, too, Cordelia," said Metta.

She looked down the street to where that delightful organ man stood grinding out music, and then turned and went to the farthest corner of the yard. She sat down on the sand heap under the apple tree and remarked, "Cordelia, let us play that we are shipwrecked Robinson Crusoe on a desert island, and we haven't got any boat to go where that organ man is."

Just at that moment mother's gentle voice called, "Metta, Metta, come hear, dear."

"Just suppose I was down at the corner, listening to the organ man," she said, as she trotted around the house with Cordelia under her arm. "Wouldn't it be awful for my mother to be calling and no little girl to come?"

"Metta," said mother, "would you like to go down to the grocery on the corner and buy a cake of chocolate for me?"

"Oh, mother!" cried Metta, "there is an organ man down there. Can Cordelia and I stop on the corner just two minutes and listen to him, and then we will run all the way home afterward? Please, mother dear, do let us stop a while."

Mother laughed a little as she said, "I am in no hurry for the chocolate; I will not need it till tea time; and you and Cordelia may stop four minutes, if you wish."

Metta took the money in her hand and started prancing away, but she turned back to ask: "How will I know when it is four minutes, mother?"

"You may stay until the organ man goes away from the corner," said mother.

Then Metta flew away down the street to the corner. "Just suppose, Cordelia, that we had gone before mother said we could, wouldn't we just be so sorry that we wouldn't have had one tiny bit of fun?"

Sisters' Society C. E.

From the President

Dear Readers of the S. S. C. E. Column:-

One of the unpleasant things we had to look forward to as we left Somerset County for Jones' Mills was the rough drive of seventeen miles in a hack with the poorest accommodations. For a long time we have been trying to say in truth, "I have learned in whatsoever state I am therewith to be content." This time we found not only contentment but even joy, real joy, as we talked with the mountaineer hackman about the wonderful Savior we have in Jesus. The Laurel Ridge mountain was soon crossed and the ride was pronounced short.

The church at Jones' Mills at one time enjoyed a very prosperous society, but during the long winter months it has been asleep. With Sister Meyers now living within a very short distance from the church and with her usual readiness to work, we believe the work will be taken up and carried on in good earnest again. Their pastor, Brother Witter, had gone to Indiana for a short stay. He also holds regular services at Mt. Pleasant in the homes of some of their members.

We couldn't meet with them here, but going on to Pittsburg we found the sisters working in a Ladies' Aid Society. We had a small meeting on Friday evening and found them almost all in full sympathy with the object of the S. S. C. E., but not yet quite ready to organize. We hope when the State conference meets there they will be ready to change their name to Sisters' Society of Christian Endeavor, as that will show, without a doubt, to others that they are in sympathy with our cause.

We are now in Columbiana, Ohio, but expect to return to Pittsburg for the conference June 6th. Until then will remain in this vicinity, renewing the friendship of those we left fourteen years ago when we moved to a more eastern home in Maryland. How strangely memory serves! The sight of the old school house called up such a throng of recollections, memories, pleasant and unpleasant, crowding each other on our confused mind. Oh, for the happy faculty of only holding "fast to that which is good." What a happy lesson for the Christian when he learns to forget all the unpleasant things, forgets all frivolous or idle talk, forgets the wrongs of others, when he can't recall of ever being slighted. Sisters let us indeed learn to forget past failures and mistakes, "He remembereth them no more" and why should we allow depressing thoughts of past failures intrude upon our quiet moments! Why should any church refuse to take up the grand work of the S. S. C. E. again just because it had gone down before!

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Our Young People

GOD'S COVENANT AND OURS.—Ps. 105: 1-10

Topic for May 14.

A covenant is a promise in which two responsible parties are concerned. We make use of various forms of contracts, agreements, pledges and promises of all sorts almost every day of our lives. Indeed we could not get along without making covenants with one another.

God himself enters into covenant with men and gives to us "exceeding great and precious promises" which are guarded by conditions on our part which we may easily fulfill.

The topic will lead us to many scriptures besides the one given for the opening lesson and will suggest many things not brought out in these helps. The leader can develop other phases of the subject by the help of the members. Let us try to get a better idea of the value of covenants and of the necessity of keeping our part. Every Christian will need the lesson and especially those of us who have put our Christian vows in the more definite shape of the C. E. pledge.

It should especially be brought out that we are not under the old covenant of the ten commandments but under the new made thru the atonement of Christ and therefore not under the laws of the old dispensation but under the principles of the kingdom of God.

SCRIPTURE LIGHT

1. God's covenant sure, Ps. 89: 34.
2. God promises life, Isa. 42: 5-8; John 6: 32, 33; Acts 17: 25; Rev. 21: 6, 7; John 10: 28.
3. Strength, Ps. 29: 11; 68: 35.
4. Light and wisdom, Ps. 119: 130; James 1: 5; Prov. 2: 6.
5. Grace, Ps. 84: 11; James 4: 6.
6. Peace, John 14: 27.